

Town of Shrewsbury - Board of Selectmen Workshop
Richard D. Carney Municipal Office Building-Conference Room A
100 Maple Avenue
Monday, September 18, 2006 at 7:00 PM

Minutes

Present:

Bruce Card, Maurice DePalo, Thomas Fiore, John Lebeaux, and James McCaffrey. Mr. Lebeaux called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

Also present:

Eric Denoncourt, Michael Hale, Jack Perreault, Judi Barrett, and Daniel Morgado.

- I. Approve bills, payrolls and warrants, #0721 in the amount of \$1,597,055.63, and #0724 in the amount of \$4,917,358.68. Motion made, seconded and unanimously approved.
- II. Mr. Lebeaux opened the workshop by welcoming Judi Barrett of COG, Inc. He stated that the focus of the workshop was to engage a discussion Chapter 40B and its future impact on the community. Ms. Barrett stated that the Avalon Shrewsbury project provided the Town a two year certification that expires in October 2007. The question that she posed to the Board was whether they should consider a pro-active strategy of protecting the certification or letting it lapse. She stated that the Town may want to consider a strategy of issuing an RFI to developers who would be willing to build a future project on land zoned residential or as part of a mixed use development. Mr. Denoncourt stated that there are a couple of other options that the Board could consider including but not limited too the transfer of development rights and the potential converting existing housing stock. The Board discussed the perceived advantages and disadvantages of Ms. Barrett's suggestions. Mr. Morgado advised that the Board needs to takes their individual thoughts and reach a consensus by January 1st. The Board asked Mr. Denoncourt to prepare a memo outlining the advantages and disadvantages of his options as well as those prepared by Ms. Barrett. Mr. Lebeaux suggested that Ms. Barrett also prepare a memo advising the Board on the management of the town's affordable housing inventory.

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Hale
Assistant Town Manager